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 Serial No.: 09/762,127 Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
 Filed: February 02, 2001  
 Title: Information Sorting Method, Information Sorting Apparatus, And Storage Medium For Storing An Information Sorting Processing Software Program

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this transmittal and documents referred to as being enclosed are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on this date.

Date: April 20, 2001

  
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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND  
 PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (IF REQUIRED)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee is calculated as shown below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest # Previously Paid For	# Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims: 66 -	30	36	\$18	\$648.00
Independent Claims: 6 -	3	3	\$80	\$240.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 1st Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim			\$270	\$0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT				\$888.00

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Applicant(s) petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below.

Extension (Months)	Fee For Large Entity
<input type="checkbox"/> One (1) Month	\$110
<input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) Months	\$390
<input type="checkbox"/> Three (3) Months	\$890
<input type="checkbox"/> Four (4) Months	\$1390

FEE: \$

- ☐ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor together with authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 19-2746 for any additional extension fee.
- ☐ Relative to response to the Final Office Action, an extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

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- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement together with Form PTO-1449 and a copy of \_\_\_ cited references:
- ☐ Enclosed is a certification under 37 CFR 1.97(e).
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$180 under 37 CFR 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 19-2746.
- ☒ Enclosed are marked-up copies of Figs. 1, 3, 8, 9, 10 and 14.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-2746. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-2746. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☐ Enclosed is a Submission Under 37 CFR §1.129(a).
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2746 the sum of \$888.00. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is attached.

Date: April 20, 2001

Respectfully submitted,

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